TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

Yesterday's bank clearings were \$11,-625,888; balances, \$2,961,270 Local discount

rates were between 5 and 8 per cent Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 30s premium loll, 40c premium askest, Chicago, 36c premium loll, 40c premium askest; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, Se discount bid.

Wheat closed higher at 85% 600c bid May: \$1.004561.07 No. 2 red. Corn/closed higher at 45%, May, 4% No. 2 mixed, Oats closed at 414c asked May; 12040c No.

Spot cotton was the bigher in the local

The report of Bonaparte and Woodruff on official abuses in the Indian Territory is made public. It includes keen denunciation of the system of "hureaucracy" long prevailing in that section,

The countities appointed to investigate the "influence" of Congressmen in procuring increases in allowances for Postmasters over the country reports showing that over half of them have exerted such an influence.

The attention of the House was occupied chiefly with postal shales. Mr. Overstreet of fered the resort of the committee appointed to investigate the influence by members of the House to procure increase of salary for Postmasters. It was the programme of the Beyndhileans to table the resolutions, but the Democratis demanded a debate and it was made the special order for Wednesday. When the Post Office ampropriation till was taken up the Democratis demanded a thorough investigation of all the departments. The resolution of Mr. Martin of South Inducta instruction the Democratic Central.

COMMITTEE DECISIONS.

County. Decision.

Saline ... Action Postponed Christian ... Convention Clark ... Primary prices of live sattle and dramed beef was adopted.

SENATS.

The Senate massed the naval bill and then tion of the present naval programme would put the United States ahead of Russin. Germany and France, and second only to Great Brit-als. Senator Forsker presented the credentials of Senator Dick, who succeeds Marcus A.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. Republicans are practically agreed that L. F. Parker will be a delegate at large.

Mrs. Margaret Richards died at the Baptist Sanitarium three weeks after husband's deata.

The Presbyterian Ministers' Association appointed a special committee to secure the enforcement of all city ordinances, Chief of Police Klely to-day will begin the first vacation he has had in twentyeight years. He goes to Hot Springs with

The first murder trial to be heard in this month.

considered by the Board of Public Improvements to-day. Mrs. Ella Bartholow was yesterday ap-

pointed hostess of the Administration building at the World's Fair. At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the St. Louis Transit Company today it is expected that the members elect-ed yesterday on the board of the United

The Board of Directors of the World's Fair will hold its annual meeting to-day and elect officers. Johann Peterka, the Austrian commer

Rallways Company will be elected.

cial director, arrived at the World's Fair Mrs. Carrie V. C. Wann of Chicago, a survivor of the Iroquois Theater fire, escaped from a blaze at the Courthouse, and

a few hours later won a suit for \$50,000. GENERAL DOMESTIC The Kansas City Court of Appeals in a decision says speculation on the Board of Trade is a stench in the nostrils of the

law, and nothing but gambling. The Kansas City flood relief delegation had a hearing in Washington before the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors. Mark Dunn, under sentence of death from jall, and is not recaptured.

The final decision as to accepting the wage-scale offer of the operators, will be left to a vote of the local unions, which will cast ballots, March 15.

Eight hundred delegates to the World's Sunday School Convention, which meets at Jerusalem, will sail from New York to-day on the steamer Grosser Kurfurst. The Chicago Federation of Labor has placed Mayor Harrison's name on the 'unfair' list, because of his refusal to make the engineers' examining board an organizing agency for the union.

City attorney, charged with tampering with a jury at a recent boodle trial, was continued in the Cole County Court because of the absence of Attorney General

FOREIGN.

Former Premier Waldeck Rousseau of France renders an opinion in the Panama Canal case, declaring there are no legal obstacles to the transfer of the title.

ready to go South. Sidney Sears of the Central District has

surpassed all records in competition for the national revolver championship. The Western Jockey Club took no ac-

Marine Intelligence. New York, March 7 .- Arrived: Heligolav, from Copenlingen

Philadelphia, March 7 .- Arrived: Westernland, from Liverpool, New York, March 7.-The Red Star Line

steamer Vaderland, from Antwerp, for New York, in communication with Nantucket lightship at 7:30 a. m. probably dock about 9:30 a. m. to-morrow Gibraitar, March 7.—Sailed; Hohenzellern (from Genoa and Naples), New York, New York, March 7.—Steamer Bremen from Bremen and Cherbourg, for New York, passed Nantucket lightship at 2:50

Palermo, Naples, etc. Cherbourg, March 8.-Salled: Bluecher, from Hamburg and Southampton, for

Glasgow, March 6.-Arrived: Laurentian, St. John, N. B., and Halifax, vin Liverpool; March 7. Buenos Ayrean, Philadel-Genoa, March 4.-Sailed: Liguria, for

Palermo, March 6.-Arrived: California, Liverpool, March 7 .- Arrived: Virginian

At the next meeting of the St. Louis Retail Grocers' Association, which will take place Thursday evening, several mat-

ters of interest to members will come up for discussion. Arrangements for the an-nual picnic will also be considered. MRS. JOHN COWLING.

Grayville, Ill., March 7.-Mrs. John Cowling filed in Gibnon County, Ind., perterday. Her body will be brought to this city for inter-ment. DAVID HUNTER.
Grayville, Ill., March 1.—David Hunter of Edwards County, died Saturday

Grayelile, III., March 7.—Biward Martin, a bung farmer, died at Calvin to-day. MRS ELIZA JANE GRASSEL.

THREE CONVENTIONS INSTRUCT DELEGATES FOR GOVERNOR.

REYNOLDS COUNTY INSTRUCTS FOR FOLK.

Mass Convention at Centerville Is Attended by Six Hundred Democrats.

HAWES AND VANDIVER SPEAK.

Delegates Ordered to Vote for

REPUBLIC SPECIAL took up the army appropriation bill, when ad-journment cut about the resulting of the means ure. In the course of the debate on the naval bill Senator Patterson said that the comple-bled in mass convention here to-day and tiled in mass convention here to-day and instructed delegates to the State Nominating Convention to be held at Jefferon City, to vote "first, last and all the time for Joseph W. Folk for Governor." Instructions were given also for Rubey for Lieutenant Governor; Musgrave for Secretary of State; Major for Attorney-General; Pitts for Auditor, and Oglesby for Railroad and Warehouse Commis-

> The vote to instruct for Mr. Folk for Governor was five to one. The convention was enthusiastic, but strictly orderly, and the best of feeling prevailed. The mass meeting was the largest ever held in Reynolds County, indicating the degree of interest felt here in the guber national race.

Before the meeting convened, Harry B. the Juvenile Court will probably be called Hawes addressed a crowded courtroom, this month, while Congressman Vandiver spoke to another crowd in the public square, in the interest of Mr. Folk's candidacy. The following delegates were named:

To the Nominating Convention at Jef-ferson City-R. L. Daniels and M. G. Harrison; alternates, T. J. Sweazea and William Parks,

To the Judicial Convention at St. Joseph-Doctor M. Clooman and J. B. Daniels; alternates, J. M. Bell and J. D.

To the Delegate Convention at Joplin -C. M. Buford and W. M. Hunter; alternaes, S. B. Carty and J. L. Bowles.

RAY COUNTY INSTRUCTS DELEGATES FOR REED.

Kansas City Mayor Predominates Convention at Richmond by Vote of 29 to 21.

in the various townships of Ray County C, Kerens, Congressman Dougherty of last Saturday met in convention in Rich-Missouri, said to-night: mond this afternoon and proceeded to elect delegates to the several State conventions. The convention was composed of fifty Post Office Department and Republican The convention was composed politicians delegates, of which number twenty-nine have some the House. delegates, of which number twenty-nine were for Reed and twenty-one for Folk. Although in the minority, the Folk delegation, headed by Joseph L. Farris, Jr., made a hard fight for recognition, claiming the calling of a "snap" primary had lessened their chances of carrying the county and urged the convention to give Richmond Township, with seventeen delegates, and Polk Township, with four delegates to all four of the conventions.

Mr. Farris made an elequent speech before the convention, but the request of the routine affairs of his office, and I was perfectly satisfied that the man was entitled to additional clerk hire or an increase of salary. In my request to the Folk delegates was voted down.

Resolutions were adopted indorsing Reed's candidacy for Governor Dockery and Scantor Stone for delegates-at-large to the National Convention, Sam B. Cook for re-election as Secretary of State, Judge A. M. Woodson for Supreme Judge, N. J. Winters for Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner and Judge H. C. Timmonds for Judge of the Kansas City Court of Appeals.

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The following delegates were named by the convention. State hominating convention—John F. Morton, R. L. Macey, Jesse B. Railph, J. I. Milner, O. L. Kipcaid, Doctor J. H. Roney, T. Roney and Thomas Pinkerton.

Sinte Delegate Convention—D. W. Pointer, E. M. Endsley, Doctor J. P. Van Allen, Allen Sisk, John S. Cruse, L. S. Magill and T. C. Etherton.

Sinte Delegate Convention—James H. Forbee, A. C. Kincaid, Jr., Sam Wolland, J. W. Shockelford, F. E. Caven, B. F. Brasher, James L. Farris, Sr., and C. T. Garner.

Court of Appeals Convention—T. E. Craven, B. F. Brasher, James E. Bail, M. C. Hill, J. W. Shockelford, F. E. Grimes and C. A. Cavanaugh.

IMBORCE DOCKERY AND COOK

INDORSE DOCKERY AND COOK FOR DELEGATES AT LARGE.

Democratic Convention of Carroll County Instructs Delegates

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Cerrollton, Mo., March 7.—The Demo-eratic convention of Carroll County was held in this city to-day. As indicated by the result of the township meeting Saturday the convention was almost unani-mous for Reed for Governor. The only contest was on seating the Carrollton delegation and the committee

ecided that the Reed delegation were attitled to be scated. contiled to be scatted.

The seven delegates were instructed to vote for James A. Reed for Governor; Sam B. Cook. Secretary of State; N. J. Winters, Railroad Commissioner; William A. Bothwell, chairman of the State Committee, and J. A. Collett and Virgil Conkling, committeemen from this district.

The delegates to the Joplin Convention were instructed to vote for Dockery and State for delegates at large to the National Convention, and T. N. Bresnehan for district delegate.

The judicial delegates were instructed to vote for A. M. Woodson for Supreme Judge, H. C. Timmons for Judge of the Kansas City Court of Appeals and John P. Butler for Circuit Judge.

YATES HAS HIS OWN WAY. gramme in Clay County.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL
Louisville, Ill., March 7.—Governor Yates's friends had things their own way

in the Republican Convention of Clay

County here to-day and named instructed

MANY CONGRESSMEN USE "INFLUENCE" TO INCREASE POST-OFFICE ALLOWANCES

House Committee Reports on the Conduct of Representatives and Senators in Procuring Appropriations for Postmasters in Excess of the Amounts to Which They Are Entitled-Three Lawmakers Lease Property for Post-Office Sites in Violation of the

The Republic Bureau, lith St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, March 7.—More than half Senators are mentioned by name in a sequel to the Pest-office investigation of last summer, dealing with instances on file in which member and their bourses have used their deal and d the Congressmen and not a few of the

Before the House convened this morning it was known that Mr. Overstreet wound render the report and half the Republican side of the House surrounded him and heatedly expressed their opinion of such a course. The impression here is that the report does not reflect upon members other than that it states the common fractice among the Congressmen which is to adures the department upon the wishes of the Postmasters within their districts

PATRONAGE DISPENSERS RECEIVE CHIEF ATTENTION. Democrats and Republicans all over the ountry are named. But the dispensers of Republican patronage in the various States come in for the chief attention.

Among the men mentioned not in Congress who have the "call" on patronage and have in that capacity asked favors of the department is R. C. Kerens of Missouri, whose name occurs with marked frequency. Mr. Italph O. Stauber of St. Joseph and Webster Davis also come in for attention.

or attention. Referred to in connection with Hillinois Referred to in connection with finious cases are Senator Cullom, former Senator Mason, Congressman George W. Smith, Congressman Vespasian Warner, Congressman Dougherty of Missouri is mentioned in one instance. These gentlemen assert that they acted within what they deem to have been their proper right under the circumstances.

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Missouri offices specifically referred to are Cassville, Hopkins, Liberty, Mount Vernon, Pattonsburg, Rockport and Tarkio, In Illinois are named Alto Pass, Ava, Beardstown, Cobden, Duquoin, Edwardsville, Hallidayboro, Herborn, Marion, Menard, Metropoils, Mound City, New Burnsede, Parker, Petersburg, Pinckneyville, Salem, Tolono, Vienna, Villa Rlidge, Waterloo, Winnetka and Wyoming.

The report was made by the unanimous vote of Mr. Overstreet's committee in response to a resolution calling for information, introduced by Representative Hay of Virginia. Some of the transactions recorded are held to be technical violations of the statutes, others are pronounced clearly censurable, while it is maintained by the majority who have read the report that the members who made the recommendations, expected nothing not in harmony with the rules of the department.

EXPLAINS HIS CONNECTION.

EXPLAINS HIS CONNECTION. Richmond, Mo., March 7.—The delegates | Speaking of the reference to him, elected at the Democratic primaries held which couples his name with that of R.

oliticians of my State, I will probably tave something to say on the floor of

The Liberty, Mo., instance is outlined in

December 31, 1809, directed Postmaster make December 31, 1809, directed Postmaster make so not of transit mail bandled, which he did and rejorted on January 18, 1901, showing him entitled to an allowance of \$40. Jarrary 22, 1892, Postmaster requested increase for local work.

January 28, declined, but sent him circular for another count of tratsit matter handled. No retort another cougt of trarist matter handled. No report.
April 24, 1962, the Honorable John Dougherty resonmended increase. April 25, 1962, declined, May 25, 1963, asked railway mail service to make c tant of transit mail handled.
August 19, 1962, railway mail service reports showing office entitled to no allowance.
September 1, 1962, allowance of 4300 discontinued from September 1.
September 21, the Honorable John Dougherty in the Honorable John Dougherty and Mr. Kerne and Mr. Dougherty advised.
December 20, Inspector recommends 550 for separating and \$250 for unusual business. No action yet taken.
The Tarkio (Mo.) case is fully treated and contains a vivid illustration of the and contains a vivid illustration of the activities of Mr. Kerens in Washington patronage matters. It follows:

MERENS'S ACTIVITY ARREASS ACTIVITY

Memorandum shows personal application from thonorable H. C. Kerens for increase in allowance. Allowance at rate of 389 per annum had seen in force for a number of years.

A report from the Postmaster, dated June 1379, chawed transit matter, handled sufficient ase was declined application for 'norcessed' services, and a new count was ordered, which neceived September 27, 1990, who ting Post-ster entitled to an allowance of 250 per annual comber 4, 1500. Postmaster reported that he probably made an error in his count. Acclingly a new count was ordered, which was slived December 2, 1900, showing the office tied to an allowance of only 570 per annual countries. made.

Memorandum shows that on January 20, 1902. the Honorable R. C. Kerens personally refers to a letter from R. O. Stauber, recommending 2006 for cierk hire.

January 20, 1902, a further increase was made from 1204 to 5400, to take effect April 1, 1902.

May 28, 1903, the Railway Mail Service was requested to make a count of transit matter handled. ervice.

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On July 21, 1995, an Inspector's report was
cevived to the effect that "very little transit
nall is handled." Since that date requests from
the Honorable R. C. Kersen and R. O. Stauber
ave been received recommending that the al-

The Edwardsville reference to Mr. Rodenburg is treated by the report in these delegates to attend the State Convention and also an instructed delegation for Colonel R. Smith for Congress in the Twenty-fourth District.

hire was increased from 13 to 150 per the from 140 to 150 per the from 140 to 150 per the Pastmaster, showing that the mail hundled by him would warrant an ass of 210 per annual.

21, 1802, Homerable W. A. Rodenburg the resummended an increased allowance of per annual was so advised.

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CHANGES DATE: | clerk hire was increased from \$30 to \$50 per annum, from July 1, 1996, upon the basis of a report from the Postmaster, showing that the transit rull handles by him would warrant at allowance of \$10 per annum. "May 21, 1982, Homeable W. A. Rodenburg salaries of Postmasters, addings.

The report, which came through Representative Overstreet, chairman of the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, emanates from Fourth Assistant Bristow of the Postal Department, Fristow's scorplonlike way of running the "livestigating tegraturent," as it is called raised a turmon in the House suce as has not been seen this session. The developments of the next few days will include some very pointed remarks from members relative to Mr. Bristow.

Before the House convened this morning the of the Poststown of the proportion of the conditions of the Arguetta of the County of the Poststown of the conditions do not justify any such amount for clerk hire and I do not understand why this allowance was made." A reduction to 350 was then ordered.

ALLOWANCE MADE.

TEROUGH PENITENTIARY.

On September 8 as recommend.

justified," In March the general superintendent notified the Senator that the allowance could be made on account of Southern Hilinois Penitentiary near Menard. The sum was placed at \$120, which was approved and is now paid.

The Petersburg, Ill., case also refers several times to the Illinois Senator. The allowance for clerk hire is \$9. Upon July 14, 1889, Senator Cullem, according to the report, arged that the former allowance of \$300 be restored. The increase was approved, effective July 1, 1889, May 13, 1993, a report was requested of transit mall handled, which was received from Petersburg, June 8, showing the office to be entitled to \$40 a year. So the allowance was reduced to \$40.

There are accounts of 177 instances in the report where members of Congress have made recommendations in connection with leases of buildings for Post Office purposes.

The history of the transaction occupies

The history of the transaction occupies 164 pages of the printed report.

MEN WHO EXERTED

INFLUENCE IN DEPARTMENT. The following names of Senators and nembers are among those which report Office Department concerning leases of premises for Post Offices, and for allowances for rent, fuel and light:
Hillnois-Representatives G. W. Smith, Rodenburg, Graff, Mann; S-nator Cullent, ex-Senator Mason, Speaker Cannon.
10 was - Representatives Hepburn, Connor, Hull, Cotsins, Thomas, Haugen and Senator Dollivar, Kritans - Representatives Calderhead, Curils and Bov ersock.

Jousing Thomas, Haugers and Kareas - Representatives Calderhead, Curtis and Bur etgock.

Nebraska-Representative Burkett.

Washington-Representative Cushman.

Alabama - Representatives Bankhead and Clayton, Senator Fertus.

Connecticut-Representatives Henry, Hill and Lilley, Georgia-Representative Griggs, Senator Clay, Indiara-Representatives Hemenway, Watson, Crumer, Overstreet, Rick and C. B. Landis, Louisiana-Representatives Breazuls, Randell and Senator McEmerny, Maine-Representatives Burleigh and Allen, Maryland-Representatives Pearre and Jack-Massachusetts-Representatives Lovering and Greene.
Michigan-Representatives Gardner, S. W.
Smith, Fordney, Hamilton, Bishop, William
Alden Smith and Darragh,
Minnesota-Representatives McCleary and Jersey-Representatives Howell and York-Representatives Alexander, Vree-Ketcham, Sherman, Wadsworth, Payno

and Littauer.
North Carolina—Senator Overman.
North Dakota—Representative Spaiding.
Ohio—Representatives Van Voorhis, Skiles and enor. nsylvania-Representatives Wagner, Bates, s, Acheson, Sibley, Palisell and Butler. th Carolina-Representative Finley.

exas-Representative Burleson, ermont-Representatives Foster and Has-Davion.
Wisconsin-Representatives Minor, Jekins, Wisconsin-Representatives Minor, Jekins, Choper, Davidson, Rancock, Esch and Brown.
Supplemental list is appended to the report, including the names of Representatives Burnett and Thompson of Alabama and Representatives Kitchin and Small of North Carolina.

HOUSE WILL DEBATE REPORT.

Washington, March 7.-Postal affairs engrossed the attention of the House to-day practically to the exclusion of all else. The subject was introduced by Mr. Overstreet, chairman of the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, who submitted the report of that committee on the Hay resolution, calling for informa-tion regarding the use of "influence" by the Hay resolution, calling for information regarding the use of "influence" by members of the House to secure increase in salary for Postmasters.

Interest centered in the date accompanying the report which had been furnished the committee by the Post-Office Department relating to members of the House. There was a full attendance of members on both sides of the chamber. Minority members urged a debute and saked that a vote on the resolution should be deferred as they had not had an opportunity to read the report, so an agreement was reached to postpone further action until Wednesday and 4.00 copies of the report were ordered printed. There will be three hours' debate on the motion to table and a formal amendment will be officed by the minority to provide for a general investigation of the Post-Office Department.

The Post-Office appropriation bill was then taken up and Mr. Moon (Dem.) of Tennessee, the ranking minority member of the Post-Office Committee, arraigned the present system employed in the Post-Office Department and made an appear for a general investigation of the affairs of the department.

Mr. Cowherd (Dem.) of Missouri, also a

office Department for a general investigation of the analysis of the department.

Mr. Cowherd (Dem.) of Missouri, also a member of the committee, followed with an analysis review of the charges made in the Bristow report, which he referred to as a "shameful story of fraud and misadministration." He also favored a general congressional investigation of

propriation Measure Is Taken Up. Washington, March 7.-The Senate today passed the naval appropriation bill, which has been before it for the last four or five days and then took up the army artjourned.

In speaking of the continued growth of the navy, Mr. Patterson said the completion of the naval programme would place the United States ahead of German place the United States ahead of decreases.

and Russia in actual tonnage and shead of France and next to Great Britain in effective fighting tonnage.

"And my judgment." he continued, "is that American sentiment will not permit the United States at any time in the future to fall behind in naval power any nation that it has passed. American sentiment not only will not justify but it will require the United States to continue second to Great Britain." d Russia in actual tonnage and ahead France and next to Great Britain in

FOLK AND REED AT CHILLICOTHE. noon and Mayor Reed at Night. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Chillicothe, Mo., March 7.-Circuit At-torney Joseph W. Folk and Mayor James A. Reed spoke here to-day. Mr. Folk addressed 1.200 persons at the Luella Theater this afternoon. The crowd that heard Mr. Folk came from all parts of the county.

He was heartily cheered at the Burlington station when he arrived and his friends showed their enthusiasm all during his stay here. At the opera-house he was introduced by former Representative F. K. Thompson, a farmer.

Mr. Folk apent two hours reviewing

political conditions in Missouri.
Mayor Reed, who came in on the same train from Kansas City with Mr. Folk, was in the audience this afternoon, and spoke to-night at the Lucila to another large audience.

TO SELECT A CIRCUIT JUDGE. Democratic Committee of Eleventh Judicial Circuit Calls Convention.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. St. Charles, Mo., March 7.—The Demo-ratic Judicial Committee of the Eleventh Circuit met at the Courthodse to-day. The purpose of the meeting was to deolde the manner, time and place of nomi-nating a candidate for Circuit Judge to succeed Judge H. W. Johnson of Jones-burg, who was appointed by Governor Dockers to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge E. M. Hughes. Every county except Warren, was rep-resented. The meeting was presided over by Judge Johnson, chairman of the com-mittee.

Newton County Democratic Election

Set for March 19. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Central Committee of Newton County met here to-day and changed the date for holding the primary to elect delegates to the County Convention from May 7 to March 19 and the time of holding the County Convention from May 19 to March 22. The County Convention will select del-egates to the State Nominating Conven-

tion.

The move is considered a victory for the Folk adherents. The vote on the proposition to chanse the dates of the primaries and County Convention was 29 to 4.

KNOX COUNTY TO HOLD PRIMARY. Democratic Committee Will Decide Upon Date to Select Delegates.

REPUBLIC SPECIÁL. Edina, Mo., Murch 7.-The Democratic Central Committee of Knox County met here to-day and selected April 22 as the date for holding the primary for the se-lection of candidates for county offices, it being the same date selected for the Democratic Congressional and Judicial Democratic Congressional and Judicial primaries.

It was decided to hold a primary to select delegates to the State and National conventions, but the committee will decide upon the date at some later meeting.

DAVIESS TO HOLD PRIMARY. Democratic Committee Sets Election for March 21.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Gallatin, Mo., March 7.-The Daviess County Democratic Central Committee met in this city to-day and selected Satas having made representation to the Post | urday, March 21, as the date for the county primary election.

By unanimous consent it was decided to this primary.

The committee meeting was harmonious, the Reed and Folk forces being about evenly divided and compromised on the date for the primary.

PRIMARY IN CLARK COUNTY. Democratic Committee Calls Elec-

tion of State Delegates April 23. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Kahoka, Mo., March 7.-The Democratic Central Committee of Clark County met here to-day and decided on holding primary election for State officers on April 23,

There was a hot contest in the commit-tee, but when a ballot was taken the vote stood 9 to 2 for a primary. The de-cision is considered favorable to Folk, and is due largely to the efforts of Prose-cuting Attorney Rutherford. CONVENTION IN CHRISTIAN COUNTY. Democrats Will Select Delegates to

State Conventions June 4. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Ozark, Mo., March 7.-The Christian County Democratic Committee has called a delegate convention for April 16 to 4, to select delegates to the various State

WILLIAMS FOR PRESIDENT.

Saline County, Ill., Democrats Hold

Convention at Harrisburg.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Harrisburg, Ill., March 7.-The Demo rats of Saline County held a mass convention at the Courthouse to-day. James A. Watson was elected chairman and Major F. M. Pickett, secretary. The vote of Saturday's primary was canvassed and John W. Shaw was declared the choice for Representative of the Fifty-first Sen-atorial District and empowered to select his own delegates to the Senatorial Con-

his own delegates to the Senatorial Convention.

Resolutions were adopted indorsing the candidacy of J. R. Williams for President and the delegates to the State Convention were instructed for him.

Albert Watson of Mount Vernon was indorsed for Attorney General.

Delegates to the State Convention were selected as follows: A G. Abney, J. W. Shaw, J. M. Berry, L. C. Penninger, Harvey Rann, W. V. Choisser.

Delegates to the Congressional Convention were uninstructed, and are as follows: J. F. Williams, Charles Baker, H. Thompson, G. B. Hancock, James Lyon, W. G. Johnson, D. W. Cholsser, W. Polliver, W. B. Carter, J. C. Burnett, W. Davis, Will Irwin.

COWHERD'S SPEECH SIGNIFICANT. His Denunciation of Federal Corruption to Be Used in Campaign.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, March 7 .- Outlining the policy to be pursued by the Democratic party with reference to post-office frauds as campaign material, Congressman Cowherd of Missouri addressed the House this afternoon. The post-office supply bill up at the time. His address, which be used as a campaign document, inclithe severest arraignment of Perry

The numerous steals which Fourth Assistant Bristow has exposed were enumerated in detail. The Missourian declared that the graft amounted to all the way from 30 to 60 per cent of the total appropriations and said that the appropriations should be at least reduced to this extent. The speech acquires a special significance, in view of the fact that Cowherd probably will be chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee and will figure prominently in the coming Democratic national campaign.

CONVENTION AT MT. CARMEL.

for Senator and Representative. Lawrenceville, Ill., March 7.-The Republican Senatorial Committee of the Forty-eighth Senatorial District met here to-day and called the Senatorial Conven-tion to nominate one candidate for minority Representative and a candidate for State Senator to meet at Mount Carmel, State Senator to meet at Mount Carmel, Ill., April 19.

The busis of representation is one dele-gate for every 300 votes cast for McKin-ley in 1200.

So far the only avowed candidate before the convention is James A. Watson of Hardin County, for Senator and Edson Gould of Edgar County and W. S. Hoopes of this county for Representative.

CLAY COUNTY PRIMARY TO-DAY. Convention Will Be Held at Louisville, Ill., Wednesday. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

morrow to select delegates to the State and Representative conventions. The candidates in this county for Representatives are Charles L. Farris and John R. Bryan, a cousin of William J. Bryan. A strong fight is being made by

Saline County Democratic Rody Adjourns Without Decision on Gubernatorial Primary.

DEBATE OVER INSTRUCTIONS.

Audience Becomes so Demonstrative That Committee Finds It Necessary to Retire Behind Closed Doors.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Marshall, Mo., March 7.—The new mem-ters of the Democratic Central Commit-be in the convention to nominate four delters of the Democratic Central Commis-tee of Saline County, elected at township tee of Saline County, elected at township meetings Saturday, met in the Circuit tional Convention," said a Republican politician yesterday. "Indications are secretary and James T. Fisher assistant ance there he will be summarily put out secretary. The proceedings were excising of business and told to take a back seat." throughout and at times a trifle stormy.

As soon as the organization was per-

fected a resolution was offered declaring may or may not mean that there will be that members of the committee should had feeling at the convention. It is cast votes in proportion to the number of Democratic voters in their respective townships, as shown by the vote cast at his friends may prepare will go through the last general election. This was at the State Convention. The State Compromptly veted down, mittee is with him. The opposition is di-

meetings be held to select delegates to the Congressional, judicial, Court of Appeals, Senatorial, Circuit Judge of the Street together, Edical Circuit Street, and the select delegates to the Street together, togethe Pifteenth Judicial Circuit, Criminal Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit and Judge of the Supreme Court conventions was offered. MOTION STARTS DEBATE.

It was then moved that this resolution be amended so as to submit the names of candidates for Governor to the votes of Saline County at the general primary election.

As soon as the amendment was read by the secretary a member of the committee sprang to his feet, opposing the amendment to the resolution, and a stormy decate followed, in which prominent Democrats from different parts of the county, as well as members of the committee, participated.

The chairman declared the amendment

participated.

The chairman declared the amendment carried.

Committeeman John J. McKeever, who had voted for the resolution, then made a motion to reconsider the amendment.

The motion prevailed. At this juncture the audience again became very enthusiastic.

astic, Joseph Robertson of Ellenwood Town-Joseph Robertson of Ellenwood Township asked permission to address the meeting. The chairman declared him out of order, but notwithstanding the ruling of the chair he had the floor long enough to declare in emphatic terms that Committeeman McKeever, from his (Ellenwood) township, had voted the instructions given him at the township meeting to vote for a primary for Governor. Several other Democrats from the same township arose and declared that they were present at the township meetings and that McKeever was not instructed. McKeever's credentials falled to show any instructions. A stormy scene ensued.

BEHIND CLOSED DOGES.

Chairman Duggins, upon securing order.

Chairman Duggins, upon securing order, announced that the committee could not longer conduct its business in public on account of the conduct of the spectators, and the meeting was adjourned to an ad-Joining room.

During the recess of the committee Ablel Leonard, brother-in-law of former Governor Stephens and an ardent Folk supporter, mounted the table and attempted to call the house to order and make a

supporter, mounted the table and attempted to call the house to order and make a speech. The audience refused to listen. He was at last pulled from the table by a supporter of Mr. Folk. When the committee returned to the courtroom the following resolution was offered by a Folk man. Resolved. That mass meetings be held in the various townships in Saline County, Missouri, at places to be designated Saturday, March 28, 1904, to select delegates to the following conventions: Congresional, State Senatorial, Court of Appeals, Judge of the Circuit Court and Judge of Criminal Court of this circuit, and Judge of the Supreme court.

The resolution carried, and the committee adjourned to meet March 14.

No action was taken with reference to the method for selecting delegates to the Gubernatorial Convention or the primary election for county officers.

The personnel of the committee is as follows, with reference to the various candidates for Governor: W. A. Gwinn for Folk, John J. McKeever for Reed, John Robertsson for Reed, W. L. Hogge for Folk, R. S. Ireland for Reed, D. D. Davidson for Hawes, D. D. Duggins for Reed, W. H. Reavis for Folk, D. N. Burrus for Reed dinstructed for primary), John Reid for Folk, W. L. Abney for Folk.

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TWO CONVENTIONS HELD IN SAME HALL AT JOLIET.

Democrats Split Over Organization for Possession of Platform.

County Convention this afternoon was marked by violence. The delegates struggled for control. Blows were struck and bloodshed was narrowly averted. Rival chairmen and their friends strug gled for possession of the platform and same time, amid scenes of disorder and State Convention were named,
All delegates united for Mayor Crolius
of Joliet for Governor, W. R. Herrst for
President, and Mayor Harrison of Chicago for Illinois member of the National
Democratic Committee.

HAMLIN'S CANDIDACY INDORSED. Douglas County Republican Conven tion Is Held at Arcola, III.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Arcola, Ili., March 7 .- Attorney General Hamlin's candidacy was Indorsed at the Douglas County Convention to-day. The delegates to the State Convention are: Thomas Lyons, C. G. Eckhardt, M. S. Smith, Henry Morgan, J. C. Dugan, J.

F. Martin and J. F. Fidler. Charles G. Eckhardt is now an active candidate for Congress. The delegates to the Congressional Convention were instructed to vote as a unit for him and use all honorable means to secure his nomination. Mr. Eckhardt addressed the convention, after which the convention

for him. The delegates to the Congressional Convention are: P. M. Moore, A. W. Wallace, Frank F. Collins, D. N. Magner, L. E. Root, C. W. Wilson and Sam Huber.

YATES RECEIVES INSTRUCTIONS Scott County Republican Convention Held at Winchester, Ill.

Flora, Ill., March 7.-The Democratic REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Winchester, Ill., March 7. - The Scott primaries for Clay County will be held to-County Republican Convention met here to-day to select del gates to the State, Congressional and Senatorial conventions The State delegates are all three for Governor Vates, and the convention in-structed them to vote for him. The anti-Yates men made no fight, as they were in the minority and were not organized,

COMMITTEE HAS L. F. PARKER TO BE STORMY SITTING, DELEGATE AT LARGE.

Republicans Practically Agree That Frisco General Attorney Is a Winner.

FOR HARMONIUS CONVENTION.

Action of President in Dictating the Federal Patronage Distribution Has Made Opposition "Lay Down."

"There has never been a convention when harmony was so prevalent as it will ance there he will be summarily put out

This admission from a Republican who is not friendly to the Akins organization A resolution declaring that township vided since National Committeeman Kerwhile the cobesion of Kerens's centraliz-

ing power is lacking. Yet there is every prospect that the contest for delegate-at-large may develop into a scramble that will leave sore spots. It is beginning to be conceded that L. F. Parker, general attorney for the Frisco, will be one of the "Big Four." He has always been the friend of the Akins faction and they are new reciprocating by handing to him a delegateship.

CANDIDATES MENTIONED. Cal W. Pierce, a banker of Maryville, a a likely candidate. In the Fourth district he is considered a power, has always been "right" with the present State organization and is personally popular with his political associates. ere is considerable talk about the possibility of Frank D, Roberts, Collector of the Internal Revenue for Kansas City, also putiting a delegateship down his pocket, but it is not known whether he intends to disregard the anti-Federal patronage talk which has been going the rounds.

Charles Nagel of St. Louis, about the stanchest friend the Akins faction has had in this part of the State, is also mentioned, but it is said that he has signified to his political advisers that he will not be a candidate in any sense of the word and would rather that his name be not used, it is more than probable that he will be urged for the minority nomination for United States Senator next January.

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he will be diged for the ministry months
tion for United States Senator next January.

Doctor Emil Pretorius has been indorsed
by several counties where there is a German population, but is making no active
campaign for the place. D. M. Houser
and Captain Henry King of the GlobeDemoerat have been mentioned favorably,
but both are said to have told their
friends that they will make no sort of a
fight for the honor.

Friends of Representative John H. Bothwell of Sedalia, are boosting him as one
of the "Big Four," despite the talk of
nominating him for Governor.

It is probable that some sort of understanding will be reached at the Kansas
City Convention in regard to a National
Committeeman. Friends of State Chairman Akins are making no secret of their
desire to see him succeed Kerens.

GUBERNATORIAL CONTESTS.

Politicians Busy Watching Primaries and Township Meetings.
Politicians who are following the gubernatorial returns from the counties are having their hands full keeping track of the situation and figuring on probabilities Four counties have had their contest. In three of them there have been boits, though in one, Carroll, only one township had a contest, and this probably will not get beyond the County Convention. The St. Louis and New Madrid County contests will both go to the State Con-

contests will both go to the State Convention.

Folk's strength in Ray County, where it was supposed that Reed would have a walkover, was a surprise. State Senator John F. Morton has usually been able to do things about as he chose in Ray, but he lost his own township, which went for Folk.

Reynolds County yesterday went for Folk by a large majority. Vandiver and Hawes were there yesterday. New Madrid County is contested between Folk and Hawes, as is St. Louis County.

Next Saturday township meetings will be held in Platte and Livingston counties and a primary in Howell. Platte is considered as much Reed's county as Carroll and Ray. Livingston is claimed by Reed and Folk. Hawes will make no figit there, but leave it to Reed. as he will Platte. Reed will also make the fight against Folk in Howell County. This is the home of Judge Evans, one of the Folk managers.

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Ferhaps the greatest interest attaches to the primary in Kansas City next Saturday, where former Police Commissioner W. T. Kemper and George M. Shelley, President of the Council, are having a hot time fighting for the mayoralty nomination. Mayor Reed openly campaigns for Kemper, so that an indication of his strength in his home county may be gathered from the result of that primary. Both sides claim that they will carry it. managers.

Both sides claim that they will carry it. SHACKLEFORD AMONG VISITORS. St. Louis Political Friends.

Congressman Dorsey W. Shackleford was in the city yesterday for a short visit. He returned to Jefferson City where he will spend two or three days, when he will go back to Washington "I know of no opposition to me for Con-"I know of no opposition to me for Congress," he said. "Of course, I am gratified over that phase of the situation, as any candidate would naturally be."

It is probable that the Eighth District Congressional Committee will meet the latter part of the week and set a date for a primary. Lack of opposition makes it a great deal easier and more expeditious to have a primary than a convention, so this method will be used.

Edwards County Republican Ticket.

Graville, March 7.—The Republicans of Edwards County have nominated the frowing county ticket: State Attorney, A. McCanlay; Commissioner, John Clark; Circuit Clerk, S. A. Gibson; C. ner, Harry C. Moss; Surveyor, Joe Brown. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.



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